



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Zoom-only this week

Due to the uncertainty of meeting at Nicky's this week, President Bill has decided that this week's meeting will be conducted **ONLY** on Zoom. Our Zoom Host is Scott Thompson. Meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7985707369>

The 4-legged ladder: Carl Robicheaux to explain estate planning

This week's program will feature one of our own, Carl Robicheaux. His program is titled: *Simple Estate Planning - The Four Legs of the Ladder*.



Carl Robicheaux

Carl was born and raised in South Louisiana. He graduated from Loyola Law School in New Orleans and is licensed to practice law in Colorado, Louisiana and Connecticut. Carl's vast experience in his varied legal career has spanned over 33 years. He has represented individuals and companies in small cases and multi-million dollar litigation.

Carl has worked as a solo practitioner and with a small, three-attorney law firm providing legal services to rural clients needing affordable and professional legal representation. He has also represented multi-national insurance companies and Fortune 500 companies in personal injury litigation.

After caring for his elderly mother Carl realized that individuals need a strong voice to help them through everyday legal issues. Carl moved to Estes Park and opened Elkhorn Law, devoting his practice to estate planning, probate, real estate, HOA law, elder law issues, business formation and governance. Carl also provides general legal counseling.

Carl is the Vice President and Treasurer of the Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Estes Park Health Foundation and the Estes Chamber of Commerce.

Carl enjoys spending time with his wife, Aime, his 3 dogs, hiking, playing golf and attempting to fly fish (when his flies are in the river and not a tangled mess).

To join the meeting on Zoom, click on the Zoom link before noon, and Scott Thompson, our Zoom host, will welcome you. Meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7985707369>.

Update from President Bill Solms

Great program by our local school superintendent last Thursday! Thank you Rick and all who helped contact and schedule this speaker. What a quality managed program for all levels: pre-K to High School; our clubs are working on After Prom Night this week and your Board approved our usual annual commitment to this function organized by the Wednesday Evening Rotary Club.

I just heard this weekend that the kitchen at Nicky's was hit by a fire; I tried to contact John Thomason and left word for him to call me. Since I have not yet heard from him as of Sunday evening, I am changing our live meeting for February 11th to a purely Zoom meeting with Scott as our host. We will re-evaluate during the week and publish our decision in next week's Spoke as to how the February 18th meeting will be conducted. Please keep John and this incident in your thoughts during the week should an opportunity arise for us to be of help.

Lastly, plans for the Duck Race Festival continue to develop. We meet with participant organizations via Zoom on March 1st to instruct them on distributing Duck adoptions which will be completely electronic this year. During February we will finalize the poster/art for this year as well as our list of Major, Associate, and In Kind Sponsors. Also, I received a grant from the Town of Estes Park to assist with operating expenses. The software committee met last Thursday; Lee, Sandy, and Cassie are busy getting us prepared to instruct and inspire all the participating Non-Profits to get the best responses in distributing Duck Adoptions. Also, I learned what a "giff" (pronounced jiff) is; get ready to give me the definition, it might be on Spoke Trivia during our next meeting (Lee, Don, and Beth are not eligible if I choose this question!).

Duck Race Committee meets Thursday the 11th at 5:00 pm via Zoom with Scott as our host.

Quackfully yours,
Prez Bill



Posted by Madison Casey

February 4, 2021 Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Solms at 12:00. Dennis Gellhaus offered the invocation. Bill led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We welcomed our guests— Carol Holtgreve, Marianne Solms. We welcomed back members Bob Benight, Tom Gardner, Jim Scritchfield. Bill introduced his guest who is new to town from Las Vegas-Dzidra Washington, the new Business Development Manager for the YMCA.

Announcements

- Bill said Duck Race subcommittee on software meets today at 5:30. Next week the full duck committee meets. The Town gave \$866 grant for Duck Race operations. Bill has called Ballet Renaissance and the Cycle Coalition for entertainment at the Rec Center site of the duck race. He will ask the Running Club to again produce the 5k Duck Waddle. Larry Williams has sent a letter to all the participating organizations.

Special Meeting

Nominating Committee Chair Pete Sumey convened a meeting of the club for the purpose of Election of Officers for the term fiscal 2022. This is the First of Three readings of the slate. Club Board Officer (one year term):

- President Elect, Dennis Gellhaus
- Secretary, Jennifer Comstock
- Treasurer, Longley Parker
- Sergeant-at-Arms, John Thomason

Club Board Director (two-year term)

- International Service, Ron Gordon
- Fund Development, open
- Youth/New Generation, open

Foundation Board Trustee (three-year term)

- Tom Gardner
- Tara Moenning

There were no nominations from the Floor. The meeting for elections was adjourned.

Note: at June 3 meeting Michelle Mann will present a program on the Albanian Summer Camp we help fund.

Scott Thompson told his joke.

Program

Rita DuChateau introduced our guest speaker, Sheldon Rosenkrance, Superintendent of Schools, who presented on the status of the schools.

Bill Solms finished the meeting with his trivia question

Madison Casey, scribe



Is Zoom a challenge? Anne Slack has the answers!

For anyone new to the workings of Zoom, it can be a confusing experience. Our Membership Chair Anne Slack took on the challenge of creating a step-by-step tutorial on navigating Zoom.

The document is posted on our club website's home page, under Home Page Download Files (left hand side of the page) for your future reference. Click on this link to be taken to our club's home page to read all about the world of Zoom, and think about printing it out for a friend. <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5241>

Thanks, Anne for your efforts to keep all of our members engaged until we can meet again!



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2020-21 Rotary International Theme



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Feb. 11 Duty Roster

Invocation: [Karol Rinehart](#)

Song & Pledge: [Bill Solms](#)

Guest Intro: [Scott, Karol](#)

Scribe: [Pete Sumey](#)

Greeter: [Scott, Karol](#)

Program Intro: [Rick Taylor](#)

Feb. 18 Duty Roster

Invocation: [Carl Robicheaux](#)

Song & Pledge: [Bill Solms](#)

Guest Intro: [Scott, Karol](#)

Scribe: [Pete Sumey](#)

Greeter: [Scott, Karol](#)

Program Intro: [Rick Taylor](#)

Upcoming Events

[Duck Race Committee](#)
Scott Thompson Zoom Link
Feb 11, 2021
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

[Foundation Board Meeting](#)
Feb 18, 2021
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

[Community Service Committee](#)
Scott's Zoom
Feb 25, 2021
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM

[Distribution Night \(Virtual\)](#)
Zoom
Mar 01, 2021
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

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Speakers

Feb 11, 2021
[Carl Robicheaux](#)
Simple Estate Planning

Feb 18, 2021
[Ron Wilcocks](#)
Estes Park Women's Monument Project

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Bill Smith
February 1

Jeff Liddle
February 1

Rita DuChateau
February 1

Gordon Ulrickson
February 3

Sarah Walsh
February 3

Ward Nelson
February 4

Mike Connolly
February 5

Pete Sumey
February 7

Longley Parker
February 18

Claudine Perrault
February 20

Bob Benight
February 26

Bruce Brown
March 15

Dave Evans
March 25

Anne Slack
March 28

Anniversaries

Rita DuChateau Phil
February 3

Wayne Andersen Judy
February 6

Carl Robicheaux Aime
February 14

Gregg Jurgens Suzanne
February 14

Larry Williams Linda
February 14

Jay Harroff Jane
February 17

Join Date

Sarah Walsh
February 2, 2012
9 years

Dennis Gellhaus
February 22, 2018
3 years

Karol Rinehart
March 5, 2015
6 years

Lee Lason
March 13, 2003
18 years

Beth Weisberg
March 16, 2020
1 year

Madison Casey
March 16, 2006
15 years

Mark Lee
March 16, 2020
1 year

Rita DuChateau
March 21, 2013
8 years

Dave Evans
March 22, 2007
14 years

Executives & Directors

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Sergeant-at-Arms
[John Thomason](#)

Past President
[Dave Evans](#)

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Community Service Director
[Beth Weisberg](#)

Fund Development Director
[Karen Thompson](#)

International Service Director
[Ron Gordon](#)

Youth/New Generation Services Director
[Sue Fereday](#)

Membership Director
[Anne Slack](#)

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[Gregg Jurgens](#)

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[Jack Boatmen, Carl Robicheaux](#)

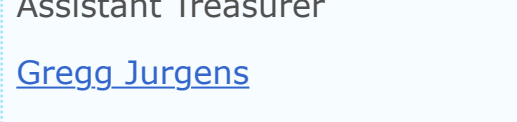
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[Anne Slack](#)

Ernie Altick Program
[Kathy Groesbeck, Dave Evans](#)

Investments
[Madison Casey](#)

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